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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application Of:
NORBERT BUSCH ET AL
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REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

HONORABLE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
Washington, D. C. 20231

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C.E. Van Horn
Charles E. Van Horn
Director, Group 120

Sir:

Now come Applicants who respectfully request that the period for filing the Appeal Brief be extended for two weeks until July 18, 1980. This is the third request for extension of time for filing the Appeal Brief.

In a telephone conversation on July 2, 1980, the Group Director, Mr. Charles E. Van Horn, graciously agreed to grant this extension based on the following circumstances.

Applicants' U.S. representative has just taken over the prosecution of this application from Applicants' former counsel. In particular, Applicants' U.S. representative was requested to take over prosecution of this application in a letter received March 17, 1980 (subsequent to the filing of a Notice of Appeal by Applicants' former counsel (March 4, 1980)). On March 31, 1980, Applicants' U.S. representative requested that Applicants forward a "Revocation And Appointment Of New Power Of Attorney" and on April 9,

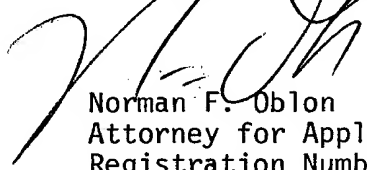
1980 forwarded a detailed analysis of the issues at hand along with a request for instructions. On April 25, 1980, Applicants requested that a one-month extension of time be obtained. On May 2, 1980, such an extension was requested and duly granted, Applicants were promptly informed of the grant of the extension and again were requested to forward instructions. On May 7, 1980, instructions were received and, on May 12, 1980, a response based on a recent decision of the Board of Appeals was filed which is believed to be dispositive of the issues at hand. On June 3, 1980, Applicants' U.S. representative, having received no indication of the disposition of the application by the Examiner, requested and was duly granted an additional one month extension of time for filing the Appeal Brief. On June 12, 1980, an Advisory Action was received by Applicants' U.S. representative indicating that the response of May 12, 1980 had been entered but that the final rejection was being adhered to. Applicants' U.S. representative promptly undertook the preparation of an Appeal Brief, for Applicants' consideration and mailed the same to Applicants, who reside in France, on June 24, 1980. On July 2, 1980, Applicants' French attorney acknowledged receipt of the Appeal Brief that day by telex, but, indicated that there was insufficient time to obtain the Applicants' comments or instructions. In order to allow time for Applicants to forward their comments and/or instructions, the aforesaid additional two week extension of time is respectfully requested.

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Accordingly, it is believed that this request for extension of time is proper and will result in materially advancing the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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